

List of earliest use of U.S. perfins updated

Richard Learn, the chronicler of early U.S. perfin patterns, has provided six updates and one addition to his list of the earliest known use of perfins in each of the 50 states and the District of Columbia (first published in the March 2000 *Bulletin*). The addition is Puerto Rico. The changes are shown in bold type in the following list. If you have perfins used earlier than those shown here, contact Learn at 154 Kendall Drive, Safety Harbor, FL 34695, so he can continue to update the list.

State	Date	Pattern	Catalog Number
Alabama	13 Apr 1909	AB/&A	A51
Alaska	3 May 1938	IP/CO	I74
Arizona*	15 Mar 1912	NYL	N113A1
Arkansas*	26 Aug 1912	NYL	N113Aa6
California	23 Jul 1908	RICO/LD	R87
Colorado*	7 Apr 1909	CTCO	C344
Connecticut	20 Mar 1909	P&F/C	P252
Delaware	6 Oct 1909	PRR/CO	P199
District of Columbia*	20 Jan 1909	NCI	N49
Florida	1 May 1909	FEC/R.Y.	F68
Georgia	9 Feb 1909	SAL	S29
Hawaii*	17 Feb 1938	TH	T47
Idaho	17 Sept 1911	OR/&N	O69
Illinois*	26 May 1908	BFC/CO	B110
Indiana	25 Sept 1908	K	K4
Iowa*	3 May 1909	BLA	B152
Kansas	22 Nov 1909	WER/NER	W82
Kentucky*	6 May 1909	SO	S195-31
Louisiana	25 Jun 1909	ML	M152
Maine	6 Apr 1910	NE/T&T	N76
Maryland	14 Sep 1908	BBH	B53
Massachusetts*	22 May 1908	WFS/CO	W91
Michigan*	28 Aug 1908	FORD	F145
Minnesota*	14 Jul 1908	WPC	W158
Mississippi*	19 Jun 1931	IC	I22
Missouri*	3 Jul 1908	SH/CO	S138
Montana	2 Aug 1909	DU/PONT	D129
Nebraska	2 Dec 1908	PRR/CO	P199
Nevada	19 May 1944	UP	U59
New Hampshire	21 Sep 1911	BOE	B176
New Jersey*	27 Jun 1908	K&E/CO	K69
New Mexico	4 May 1911	MS	M227
New York	6 Jul 1908	ISP	I99
North Carolina	19 Apr 1909	LT	L148
North Dakota	25 Nov 1908	[SL]	S170
Ohio*	12 Aug 1908	BFG/Co	B118
Oklahoma	5 May 1910	RI	R75
Oregon*	27 May 1910	CUD/AHY	C356.1
Pennsylvania	29 Oct 1908	P/Co	P50
Puerto Rico*	6 May 1913	SP/&CO	S235.5
Rhode Island*	3 Aug 1909	BY/CO	B250
South Carolina	4 Jan 1912	[TRT]	T87
South Dakota	21 Mar 1916	IHC	I43.7-1
Tennessee	21 Apr 1909	L&N/RR	L187
Texas*	22 Mar 1909	SW/TT	S322A
Utah*	5 Aug 1911	BAU/ER	B27
Vermont	13 Jul 1911	RUT/LAND	R138
Virginia	14 Sep 1909	IHC	I43.7-6
Washington	26 Apr 1909	OR/&N	O69
West Virginia*	28 Dec 1909	IHC	I43.7A-17
Wisconsin	26 Sep 1908	Y&L	Y10
Wyoming	19 Aug 1909	PRR/Co	P199

*Indicates that the usage is confirmed both by postmark and by corner card.